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MYSTERIOUS STRANGERS

AT SOUTHPORT RECALLED

Murder Theory Strengthened by

Movements of Couple in Perry Township.

CORONER WORKS ON CLEW

That the male child whose body was found under a pile of bowlders on the Houston farm near Southport last Saturday was murdered, is the theory that Deputy Coroner Gentle, of Perry township, is working on.

As was stated in the Journal when the body was found, a piece of the hem of a woman's skirt was tied tightly around the throat.

Three weeks before the finding of the body a man and woman, who were now believed to have murdered the baby, were in Southport. To several people the man said his wife was ill. He telephoned to Indianapolis three or four times in an effort to have a cab sent to Southport to bring the woman and himself back to this city.

Deputy Coroner Gentle has the names of the couple and if the evidence he is now collecting convinces him that murder was committed, arrests will be made. Several witnesses were examined yesterday and today more will be questioned.

The bowlder pile had been on the farm for years, but the owner of the place employed a man to move the bowlders. They showed every evidence of having been handled lately and underneath the center of the pile the disfigured body of the child was found. Interest exists at Southport over the case, the majority of the residents believing that a murder was committed.

Big Vehicle License Fees.

The largest total of vehicle license fees that will be paid into the city controller's office this year by any one firm or corporation was paid yesterday by the Indianapolis Brewing Company, \$32. This was for a total of sixteen vehicles, including four horses and two horse vehicles, automobiles and buggies.

Telephone for Help.

If you are in need of a position or desire to employ male or female help advertise in the Journal. If you are a subscriber to the Journal and do not find it convenient to call at the office you may telephone your advertisement and it will be charged to your account, 5 cents for each seven words or any part thereof.

MUST CLEAN ICY WALKS; CITY TO COLLECT BILL

Stand of the Journal Is Commended by Civic Improvement Association.

TO GIVE A FLOWER SHOW

Schools Will Compete—Prizes Also Planned for Owners of Well-Kept Lawns.

Timely consideration of the "slippery sidewalk" evil was given last evening at a meeting of the executive committee of the Civic Improvement Association. Recent action on city laws regarding slippery and snowy sidewalks prompted the discussion.

During the meeting the stand of the Journal on this matter was warmly commended. President Wooten, of the association, took occasion after the meeting to commend highly the stand of the Journal. Secretary Lewis Hoover, of the Commercial Club, also spoke words of praise.

It was decided to prepare an ordinance to be submitted to Council making the cleaning of sidewalks part of the city commissioner's duty. The members of the Civic Improvement Association argue that property owners should be given a certain number of hours after a snowstorm to clean their sidewalks. After that time the work will be done at the city's expense.

The unemployed of the city could be given work by the street-cleaning department during the winter. A scale of charges to be made by the city will be embodied in the proposed ordinance.

WANT CITY TO BELL GARBAGE. The garbage question was also discussed. The discussion of clean streets and sidewalks, also including alleys, brought up the subject. It was brought out that the Insane Hospital here receives \$800 yearly for the garbage of the institution, and it was proposed that the city should sell its garbage instead of giving it away.

A system of distributive sewage was also favored by the association and the plan used in European cities will be adopted, where the sewage is used to fertilize large agricultural tracts.

A flower show, to be given by school children, was decided upon yesterday and four prizes will be given for awards. The school will be as outlined in yesterday's Journal.

Prizes will be trophies, to be contested for yearly. Louis H. Gibson was appointed to investigate and report on further details of the show which will be held in Tomlinson Hall this summer.

PRIZES FOR WELL-KEPT LAWNS. The recent paper of Mr. Gibson at the smoker of the Commercial Club will be published by the association, and Mr. Lewis Hoover was appointed to arrange for its publication.

The executive committee also accepted an invitation tendered by Mrs. Henry Raub to hold the next meeting at the Nathan Morris Home, on South Illinois street, where an exhibit of the children's work will be made.

It was also tentatively decided to award prizes, one for each ward, for the best-kept lawns during the coming summer. The fifteen awards will be made by a committee of citizens.

The members of the committee present were William Wooten, Lewis Hoover, Mrs. Henry Raub, Dr. O. S. Coffin, G. M. Ballard, William H. Hardin, George W. Lewis, Louis H. Gibson, J. A. Everett and H. H. Herrod.

Another topic considered was the indiscriminate dumping of ashes in alleys in the business district. It was decided to advocate ash boxes, placed at every place where the "ash nuisance" exists, and to prepare a city ordinance regulating the dumping of ashes in the public alleys and streets.

ADE AND McCUTCHEON TO ADDRESS TEACHERS

Writer and Cartoonist to Be Here for Fraternity Banquet Next Friday.

Through the efforts made by Charles W. Moores and William M. Taylor, both members of the Board of Education, a joint lecture by George Ade and John T. McCutcheon probably will be given next Saturday evening for the benefit of the teachers' relief fund.

Ade and McCutcheon are both members of the Sigma Chi fraternity and alumni of Purdue University. Messrs. Moores and Taylor are also Sigma Chi men. At the banquet of the Indiana chapters of the Sigma Chi fraternity next Friday evening at the Columbia Club Ade and McCutcheon will make impromptu talks, and it is planned to have the lecture the following evening.

Among the other prominent guests at the banquet will be Harry C. Gordon, former Lieutenant Governor of Ohio, and now vice mayor of Cincinnati, and Judge Henry H. Vinton, of Lafayette, who will preside.

ROUTE PROPOSED FOR CAR LINE EXTENSION

City Engineer Is Asked to Pass on Merits of Proposed Right of Way.

In addition to the proposed extensions of the East Tenth-street car line, two of which have been suggested and rejected by the city engineer, who suggested a third as a substitute, residents of the northeast section of the city will be asked to interest themselves in an entirely new route, a petition for which is now being circulated by Mr. Fisher and Hugh McDonald.

The latest route proposed is one out Brookside avenue, starting at East Tenth street, to Triana street and by that short thoroughfare to Brookside park. It is thought that a great many signers can be secured for the petition asking that this be ordered by the Board of Public Works, as the territory proposed to benefit is now without street car service.

FRIENDS WHO STAYED FINES MUST NOW PAY

City Clerk Will Commence Collections at Once—Levies Can Be Made by Bailiff.

Unpaid Police Court fines, which were stayed at the time of assessment, but have never been settled, and have been accumulating since 1901 to a total number of over 98, will be collected by City Clerk Fogarty, if he has to resort to law to do it, according to his statement made yesterday.

The court bailiff can attach personal property on these fines, if unpaid, or persons, possibly lacking, can be held as a lien against real estate.

Kruger Has New Plan.

Superintendent of Police Kruger has completed his revised plans for the increase of the police force and will ask for thirty-five new men, including sixteen additional bicyclists to be stationed at fire stations in different parts of the city. Superintendent Kruger believes that his recommendations are now in such shape that the city can find funds with which to put them into effect. Lack of funds has made it impossible to grant the request for larger increases that have been asked.

New Plan, \$150 and up. Wulschner's

Searching for work and penniless, rebuffed at every turn by men who could not understand his requests for employment, spoken in half French, half English patois, Henry Desjardins, of Chicago, was alone and without friends in Indianapolis yesterday.

His last cent had gone for a scanty meal and pedestrians took little heed, as they jostled the youth on the icy sidewalks, of his hungry eyes, searching, he knew not where, for a chance to earn enough to secure lodging.

Desjardins had been here but a few days and the rebuffs he had met had caused him to burst in tears many times yesterday afternoon. Then he thought of a letter from home.

He entered the postoffice. There was a letter for him—it was in his mother's cramped hand—but there was no money. The letter told the mother's story of the death of a sick son, for the aid of whom Desjardins had come to Indianapolis in search of work.

He tore open the envelope and read the letter. The news of his brother's death, with the knowledge that he was penniless,

SNOW AND SLEET MAKE SIDEWALKS DANGEROUS

City Regulations Not Enforced and Pedestrians Suffer from Citizens' Neglect.

TRAINS ARE STILL LATE

Many Cases of Injury Due to Ice Occur—The Weather Prediction.

If eternal vigilance is the price of clean sidewalks, as it is of liberty, then the Indianapolis police department relaxed in such vigilance yesterday for the city's sidewalks were never in greater need of broom and shovel than after Wednesday night's snowfall. Clean sidewalks were the exception and not the rule.

The snow was of such a kind that vigorous tactics pursued early yesterday morning would have easily cleaned it from the walks.

The half-snow, half-sleet that fell during the night changed yesterday morning to a fine mist that froze as it fell, making a hard crust on top of the several inches of snow that then covered the ground. As the street car mileage had cleaned its tracks before this mist came little trouble was experienced in going to the cars in service on regular schedules.

The walks were slippery where they were not covered with the incrustated snow, making walking both difficult and disagreeable.

Yesterday morning the weather bureau made its forecast, "Sleet or rain with little change in the temperature to-night. Friday snow and colder."

Up to a late hour last night this prediction was fulfilled, for at 7 o'clock last evening the temperature was just what it was at 7 o'clock in the morning 22 degrees above zero, and it hovered about that point all day.

At about 10 o'clock last night the temperature rose slightly and a heavy snow began falling briskly, continuing for several hours. The ice on top of the snow was not melted on the ground, made an already disagreeable situation worse. Those householders who delayed cleaning their sidewalks yesterday woke this morning to a realization of the truth of several old adages, especially those that have to do with procrastination.

Western trains, which are almost habitually late, were the only ones on time in the slippery weather.

Trains from the Northwest were about three hours late, as were Chicago trains. West-bound trains showed an improvement over their four to five hour delay, however, when they were invariably several hours late.

As the result of a fall on the icy sidewalk at Pennsylvania and Washington streets about 7 o'clock last night, Mrs. Fulton, of 909 Chawick street, was painfully injured. The City Dispensary ambulance, with Dr. Mackey in charge, removed the woman to her home. She was badly bruised.

MORE PRAISE FOR CHARITIES BOARD

Method of Taking Prison Census Recommended by United States Bureau.

The system of taking the census of the prisons and reformatories and other institutions of the State, as perfected by the State Board of Charities of Indiana, is receiving many recommendations from various parts of the country.

The highest compliment paid the board was received yesterday from Washington, when John Koren, expert special agent of the Bureau of Census, in a letter to Secretary Butler said: "The whole method of taking census would be quite a simple thing if publication were everywhere made on the plan as it is followed in Indiana. Already in our communication with heads of different state and public institutions, it is evident that we shall not run against any snags and can be assured of cheerful and intelligent co-operation. As you know, such conditions do not exist in all States by any means. It is unfortunate, both for the States themselves and for outsiders who have to deal with them."

DIDN'T GET HIS COMMONER; CALLS U. S. BRYAN'S ENEMY

Jacksonian Democrat, Perturbed Over Delay of the Mails, Visits Postal Officials.

SCENTS FEDERAL SCHEME

Suspecting that the federal officeholders of Indiana were not leaning to the Bryan boom of its strength in Indiana, D. H. Jenkins, of Greenwood, on the J. M. & I. Railroad, lodged a peculiar complaint yesterday at the local office of the Railway Postal Department in the government building.

Mr. Jenkins, who is a Democrat of the Jackson type, is much impressed by the strength of the Hearst-Bryan boom in Indiana.

He is a constant reader of the Commoner and because a copy of that organ failed to reach Greenwood on time last week Mr. Jenkins made the trip to this city to see about it. He gained a hearing, more because of the character of his complaint than its importance.

"You're mistaken about any fault of the mail service," he was told. "You know Mr. Bryan has been on a speech-making tour lately and perhaps he has failed to see that the Commoner gets out on time," the clerks at the office told him.

"But sir, you say mail, maybe so," reflected Mr. Jenkins, who left the office promising to return from Greenwood in the morning. The newspaper failed to arrive tomorrow.

PENILESS YOUTH, BEREFT OF BROTHER, FINDS FAIR CHAMPION

Frenchman in Strange City Gets Tidings of Death, and Young Woman Offers Aid When Men Refuse

was too much for the boy. With a half-articulate cry he pressed the letter to his lips and fell in a swoon in front of the National Bank.

Pedestrians still hurried by, but a few, out of curiosity, collected to watch the young man kneel beside him, lifted him up, and with a few words of sympathy, drew from him his story.

She turned flashing eyes on the crowd of men.

"This boy's brother in Chicago is dead," she said, "and he has no money."

The fair champion of the youth was Miss Olga Czarnecka, 122 West Michigan street, and after pressing a coin into the boy's hand, and assuring him that she would secure him a ticket to Chicago, she told his story to the crowd.

A feeling of sympathy, if not of shame, prompted them to offer the boy money, but he refused to accept it. Through the kindness of Miss Czarnecka, Desjardins will be sent at least the sort of being absent from his brother's funeral.

TEST SUIT BROUGHT TO FIX TRUST'S LEGALITY

Consumers' Gas Company Names Defendants Who Must Aid Court in Reaching Decision.

NO PRESENT PROGRESS

Decision on Artificial Gas Manufacture Needed to Restore Status of Affairs.

To determine whether or not the Consumers' Gas Trust is really bent on manufacture artificial gas was the purpose of a suit filed yesterday in the Marion Circuit Court. The proceedings were brought by the Gas Trust Company through its board of trustees and board of directors and makes as defendants the Bureka Investment Company, George Marston, Henry Lieber, the city of Indianapolis, John P. Frenzel and Otto Frenzel.

"It is not the object of the suit," said Judge Howe, one of the attorneys for the plaintiffs, "to attempt to wreck the investment company or to collect judgment, but merely to test the legality of the undertaking of the majority of the stockholders in their attempt to convert the present natural gas plant into an artificial gas plant. Another object of the suit is to obtain a definite construction from the court of the articles of association; also to ascertain the character and limits of the trusts imposed and to determine the powers and duties of the officers of the association and the rights of its stockholders."

Mr. Howe further said that in its present condition the Consumers' Gas Trust Company is in an uncertain state of affairs and is practically unable to make any progress, and that its duties and powers are undefined and uncertain; that as a corporation it cannot borrow money, and the principal object of the suit is to bring about some kind of a definite understanding through the court.

It was also claimed that each of the defendants can in some way through various connections with the gas question help to bring about the understanding desired. The Bureka Investment Company is made a defendant because it holds a majority of the certificate stock.

In the complaint is embodied a complete copy of the original articles of incorporation of the gas company, its by-laws and its constitution, and the stockholders' petition. It is not yet known for what date the suit will be set.

FEDERAL PRISONER IS FREED AFTER HEARING

Simon Cardor Released on Bail by United States Commissioner Moores.

Simon Cardor, arrested by postoffice authorities for sending obscene letters through the mails, was released on the nominal bond of \$200 yesterday, after appearing before United States Commissioner C. W. Moores. Cardor maintains that he is innocent and declared before the commissioner that enemies were the instigators of the charge against him and that the letters which he is charged with sending were clever forgeries written to injure his standing.

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"Who is who and when?" is a question now agitating City Engineer Jeup in connection with the proposed paving of East Michigan street, from Pogue's run to Tacoma avenue.

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EMPLOYER CALLS UNIONS "OUTLAWS" AND "TYRANTS"

"Every Free Workman," Says Conrad Bender, "Must Starve to Death."

WRITES AN OPEN LETTER

In reply to the District Council of the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of local union, Conrad Bender, a contractor of this city, whom the union carpenters have been fighting at intervals for many months because he formed a union of his own, has written a letter in which he sets forth his working agreement with his men and adds in closing: "I have nothing to adjust with you. I owe you nothing, and you owe me nothing. I will let you alone, and if you will do likewise we will get along very nicely."

Mr. Bender states in his letter, embodying his trade rules, that nine hours constitute his working day and that his pay is from 25 to 40 cents an hour according to the ability of the workman.

He says: "I do not employ men who belong to an organization of outlaws, that employ agents for the specific purpose of going around blacklisting and boycotting business men because they will not be bullied into unfair acts, or because they refuse to employ nonunion men. Do you know it is unlawful to blacklist? If it is, it is only a different name by which you seek to deceive the people in your lawlessness, and every business man that does not submit to your tyrannical and unlawful demands is blacklisted and driven out of business. Every workman that dares to be a free citizen outside of your band must starve to death."

Rates to St. Louis World's Fair from Indianapolis.

The fares to St. Louis and return, account of the world's fair, taking effect April 25, have been fixed over the Vandulla line from Indianapolis. Special information concerning these fares and the world's fair facilities of the Vandulla line may be had by calling upon or addressing W. W. Richardson, Assistant G. P. A., Indianapolis.

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boy as cure for a cold

Negro Woman Surprises Physician

by Primitive Method of Treating Disease.

Explains her "cure"

A big, overgrown negro boy, with his throat bandaged tightly, walked into the City Dispensary yesterday. He was accompanied by his mother, a typical Southern "mammy." Dr. Sheek called the couple into his office.

After considerable difficulty and much talking on the part of both they managed to explain to the doctor that the boy had a severe sore throat. The doctor seated his patient in a chair and was preparing to examine his throat when he noticed a string lying on the negro's curly hair.

Without noticing it carefully Dr. Sheek grabbed the string and attempted to throw it away. The husky negro sprang to his feet with a yell. Closer investigation showed the string was tied tightly to several locks of his hair.

The doctor was mystified and the boy was so frightened he could hardly speak. The mother, with a smile, explained to the doctor: "Yo see, doctah, dat boy's throat am berry sore and he has som chokin' spells am s'aint rise his head up. Jess chokes. Well, ah tied th' string to his hair so when he chokes now ah jess yank th' string and it pulls his hair back."

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